REMARKS

Claims 1-35 are pending in the present application.

Claims 1, 4-11, 14-27, and 29-35 have been amended.

Claims 36-61 have been added.

The amendment of Claims 1, 4-11, 14-27, and 29-35 and the addition of new Claims 36-61 serve to remove multiple dependencies and to place the claims in a condition more consistent with U.S. patent practice. Accordingly, support for the foregoing is provided by Claims 1-35 as originally filed.

No new matter has been added by the present amendment.

In the notice of missing requirements dated August 18, 2005, the Office indicates that the oath or declaration is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) due to the fact that the third inventor did not sign. In response thereto, Applicants wish to advise the U.S. PCT authorities that Mr. Frederic DOLLE was removed as an inventor and applicant during the International procedure, as evidenced by the **enclosed** PCT/IB/306 form and the **attached** certified English translation. Accordingly, the declaration filed December 29, 2004, is in full compliance with the requirements and should therefore be entered into the application.

Applicants submit herewith a substitute Sequence Listing and a corresponding computer-readable Sequence Listing. The sequence information recorded in the corresponding computer-readable Sequence Listing is identical to the paper copy of the substitute Sequence Listing. Support for all of the sequences listed in the substitute Sequence Listing is found in the present application. Applicants have also amended the specification,

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where necessary to ensure consistency between the specification and the Sequence Listing

and to ensure that all disclosed sequence contain a sequence identifier. No new matter has

been introduced by the amendment to the specification, the submission of the substitute

Sequence Listing, and the corresponding computer-readable Sequence Listing.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for examination on the

merits. Early notification to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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